A CHALLENGE TO IOWA farmers from Missouri. George Schulte, formerly of Des Moines, Urbandale and Granger and now a Missourian, reports that the Missouri Farmers Association rated George Kimmons of Ozark as the state's corn growing champion with an average of 304.5

bushels an acre. Asks Schulte: "Can your Iowa farmers top



ALL LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT seem to be infested with underlings who handle phone calls only after they have been screened by secretaries who insist on knowing "Who's calling?" (Frequently, by the way, the bosses of some of the underlings answer their phone calls directly.)

NATURALLY, A GOVERNOR or some other high official can't talk to everyone who calls er, diaphragm and lung. He was but too many minor people seem to think there's some status in the who's-calling routine.

THE PRACTICE BOOMERANGED on one Iowa employe the other day. He phoned a busy Des Moines businessman and asked for some information. Later, the businessman tried to reach the state man with the requested information but when a secretary insisted on knowing "Who's calling?" he said "Never mind" and hung up.

TWIN SISTERS AND their sister-in-law all had babies in Ottumwa Hospital over the holidays. Mrs. William Gire of Ottumwa had a son Dec. 24. Her identical twin, Mrs. Daryl Hootman of Douds, had a daughter Dec. 28. And the twins' sister-in law, Mrs. Stanley Gire, had a son Dec. 27.

HARRY C. ROBINETTE of Cedar Falls reports that the towns of Jewell and Randall, in north central Kansas, are eight miles apart. In Iowa, Jewell and Randall are six miles apart. Also, he reports, he spotted a road sign on the Delaware Turnpike that read: "WATERLOO . . . JESUP." Waterloo and Jesup are close to each other in Iowa, too.

Robinette, by the way, considers Iowa Falls and Sioux shell casings from a .25-caliber Center the friendliest communities in Iowa,

ON A RECENT VISIT to Des Moines, Mrs. Paul Leaf of Stratford took her 5-year-old daughter, Melissa, up the steps to the top of the Statehouse dome. When the youngster came down her legs were trembling and she remarked, "Look, Mom, my legs are doing a dance!"

JEANETTE P. DILLMAN of Russell sails Jan. 9 aboard the the S. S. Hope for Corinto, Nicaragua, She is an operating room nurse at University Hospitals in Iowa City and will be part of a 100-member medical staff who will serve during a 18-month mission. She will instruct Nicaraguan nurses in the techniques of modern medicine and minister to the sick.

MRS. J. W. POTTS OF New Virginia reports that on Nov. 18 she received a postcard that was postmarked in Heber City, Utah, July 10.

SAYS THE GUARDIAN: "The junk of one generation becomes by natural selection the antique of a later age."

Gammack's column appears daily in The Tribune.

Probably painters and sculp-

tors are among the quickest to

The Rule

laying them down," said Prof.

seemed to hold great promise.

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tion.

Local Section

Harold Holt, 25, of 1040 Sixteenth st., was reported in critical condition from a bullet wound he received in a gun fight in front of 1138 Tenth st. early Saturday morning.

A charge of going armed with intent, a felony, was filed against Douglas M. Wilson, 21, of 1549 Eighteenth st., in connection with the shooting.

Holt was shot through the livadmitted at Broadlawns Polk County Hospital.

Wilson, who suffered gunshot wounds in the right knee and left ankle, was listed in fair condition at Broadlawns.

Detective James P. Thompson, who filed the charges, said the two men were attending a post-New Year's Eve party at the home of Lawrence Robinson of 1138 Tenth when an argument started.

Thompson said the two men carried their argument into the middle of the street, then began shooting at each other.

Thompson said a number of shots were fired by Holt and Wilson. One hit Holt. Wilson was struck by two shots, in the right knee and left ankle.

ber gun, Thompson said. Eight made, I'd be the first one to pistol were found at the scene. About 25 or 35 persons were complain my head off."

said. At least six saw the fight, cretly? Wilson was arraigned by Said Mrs. Grefe: "I think Herrick." Judge Luther S. Glanton, jr., at there are some people who are Broadlawns, and released from reluctant to ask questions-in on their purpose, the black arm custody on his own bond for a public-that show they have a band wearers and their supporthearing Jan. 14.

is the last place a person would the Viet Nam War. Schedule Parley On School Law the law:

Chief executives of 48 Iowa colleges and universities will confer here Wednesday on ways school board decided to admit to implement the new Higher the public to its meetings, un-

director of the Higher Education date for election for her first probable that similar demon-fast and wear their arm bands. Facilities Commission, which is term. sponsoring the meeting, will be As a candidate then, in 1955, moderator. The session will be she was asked this question: "If held at the Hotel Kirkwood be- elected, will you actively work ginning at 10 a. m.

meetings except for the periods required for discussion of personnel and selection of school The Visual Arts

Her answer: "Yes. I so stated in my declaration of 70 Begin Fast

Mrs. Grefe is a past president of the Des Moines League of Women Voters.

board at the time it decided to cease-fire in Viet Nam. stop holding closed meetings. Board Member Merle

Schlampß said of Friday's se-"We discussed many problems, and they'll all come out in

board meeting Monday "It would be wiser for us if we just make everything public then. But I assure you

that every item discussed will be on the agenda. "I'm sure that it will all come

Defends Action

closed-door meeting on the gotiations." Myers, 35, of Ankeny, which ground that it covered personnel

meeting of two weeks ago To Niffenegger Myers suffered a leg injury, brought out questions about the His wife Phyllis, 31, suffered a role of Roosevelt High School President Ora Niffenegger Satthe arm-band dispute and Viet urday by William Eckhardt and back injury. Both were treated coaches and faculty members in

"These are things that aren't good to discuss in public," said the Rev. Mr. Keck. Basketball Coach Al Comito and Football Coach Don Prior had been accused by several students of charging that stu-

dents opposing the government's

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Rev. Leonard M. Tinker, fathers of suspended students. "Fear (by officials) was probably justified since one or

The sign, "Des Moines School Board," is clipped alongside the secret meeting here Friday and may have decided arm band issue

Of D. M. School Freedom' two adults advocated the use of violence against the black arm Viet Nam policy were Commu-band students, one or two students threatened such violence, nists or disloyal Americans. and one or two students (outside Both coaches denied the accu- of the school actually engaged in such violence," the letter he was allergic to bee stings The questions about the said.

bands to mourn the dead and

board decision Monday night

were told. The money was

taken from a metal box under

Holt was shot with a .38-cali- the board where decisions are school board meeting two weeks school administration's decision made. If a decision had been ago by Board Member A. Ar- to ban wearing of arm bands at school was a "wrongful use of the Of Friday's secret session, authority" which, in effect, "re-Davis said: "I met with other stricted the freedom of those musical instruments—calliones, suming and can run into a lot of attending the party, Thompson Why did the board meet se-board members and was given committed to non-violence" and band organs and music boxes. a copy of an opinion of Judge . . . "let the decision as to what

After some initial confusion threatened the use of violence." Mrs. Eckhardt said Saturday that some students will ers said the arm bands were in continue to wear black arm "And a meeting of 150 persons support of a Christmas truce in

wounded in Viet Nam, while want to be known ignorant of Since Christmas has passed, it others will do so " . . . to means the board may not have mourn the death of freedom a specific question to handle in the Des Moines public At the time the Des Moines Monday night. schools, hoping that the school

right to question any meeting of coaches had been raised in the But they charged that the

General Policy

entrance to Parlor "B" at the Hotel Savery. School board held

Students to 'Mourn Death

sations.

thur Davis.

BOARD---

tainly no harm in it.

Continued from Page One

done in public-there's cer-

"I think the public has the

complete ignorance of law.

Not Member

However, a board majority in will bring freedom back to Education Act signed into law less personnel or school site Friday's secret session agreed life." by President Johnson last matters were under discussion, that a general policy on such Mrs. Grefe was not a school things as arm bands should be adults would recognize Jan. 6 as Dr. Jay W. Stein, executive board member, but was a candi- hammered out because it is "peace day," when they would strations will come up.

The expected breakdown on on Jan. 10, she said, to empha-Monday night's vote to install a size their actions on the opening to continue open school board policy covering future demon-day of Congress. strations:

and John Haydon in favor. Davis and Keck opposed.

For Cease-Fire

Mrs. Leonard Tinker, mother of two of the children suspended from Des Moines schools in the black arm band controversy, said that some of the demonstrators planned to fast only one day, others three days and others in an openend fast.

The open-end fast, she explained, will continue indefinitely with different persons taking turns fasting.

Said Mrs. Tinker: "We're just a collection of people who are concerned about the number of people dying in the war and we Board Member L. Robert want to show our support for a sald Johannes' car struck the Keck defended the secret, cease-fire that will permit ne-

driven by Edward Steenhoek, He said the school board 2 Send Letter

A letter was sent to Board



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Sign of a School Board Meeting

By Nick Lamberto (Register Staff Writer)

and had to quit the roofing

business. Stan 1

E. Peters, 51, today is one of DES MOINES storers of old

was right be made by those who ago, and turned into a full-time improvise. business eight years ago.

Peters has gained such a Though he can't read a note Museum' at ear.

Baraboo, Wis. Peters restores and repairs old musical instruments, but he also collects them. "As

long as my wife keeps work-She said some students and ing, I can afford to buy some old item now and then," Peters said. "Buying more of these music machines keeps Similar actions will take place me broke." Peters' wife, Marie, works in

a print shop here. Mrs. Peters Niffen egger, Schlammpp, Report \$1,700 Theft started collecting old nickelode- including the use of drums, Mrs. Grefe, Dr. George Caudill From D. M. Tavern ons, player pianos and calliopes cymbals and triangle; a rare and John Haydon in favor. she "wasn't very happy." About \$1,700 in cash was taken "To me it all looked like

in a breakin Saturday morning at Domino's Tavern, E. Twelfth I'm getting to like it now—some street and Euclid avenue, police of it is valuable junk."

"To me it all looked like cowbells and played with a doorbell buzzer; and "several thousand" old Edison phonoof it is valuable junk.'

Air Operated

About 70 persons - high the bar, and from paper sacks Restored calliones are worth nickelodeon from the Chicago school and college students and behind the bar and in cupboards, \$1,500 to \$2,000, Peters said. stockyards area automatically No other present members of a few adults - began a fast it was reported. Entry was Most of them are air operated, rewinds and will be worth \$2,000 the school board were on the Friday to express support for a gained through a front door. a few steam operated. It is an when restored, Peters said.

instrument associated with circuses and carnivals. Sometimes it is called the merry-go-round By definition, a calliope is "a

musical instrument consisting of a series of whistles played by MONTICELLO, IA .- Because keys arranged as in an organ." In Greek mythology, Calliope is the chief of the nine Muses.

> Peters charges \$3.50 an hour for restoration jobs he does for others.

"I should charge \$6 or \$8 an hour, because it's time-con-

"Parts aren't available and It started as a hobby 12 years you have to make them or

Plays By Ear

eputation that he has been of music, Peters tunes the named "the official restorer of restored machines by ear and the Wisconsin with the help of a visual tuning PICTURE: Historical Soci-device. He also plays the Page One ety's Citrus accordion and harmonica by Piled in a garage and occupy-

ing about four rooms of the Peters store (with living quarters above) are collectors' items, mainly in the musical field. Included are a coin-operated

Violono Virtuoso, which plays piano and violin selections from roll music; a reed organ from the Amana colonies; a 1920 calliope from Muscatine; a band said that when her husband first organ which plays selections home-made uni-phon made with graph records.

A 1915 model roller piano

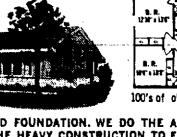
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originally as Works Projects duction rights. Administration (WPA) contribu-Parker, who is now head of the Hamilton College art department, Clinton, N. Y., pleaded with the artists to compete any way. An opt-of-state in the exhibition, "Mid-American in the thirties," which brings logether widely though shown examples of work by Grant Wood. Thomas Hart Benjon and James Steuart Thom Parker Pleaded anyway. An out-of-state judge would make the awards—not Exhibitions



the Iowa City group came in Governor's Nebraskana Arti Show depict "a special place, a full force. particular thing that truly says This was the beginning of a

continuing state fair art con-Originally, the rule called for test which, through purchase "a recognizable painting." Alawards, has brought into bethough the word "recognizable" ing a state-owned art collecseems to be out of the rules now tion of many superb works of there still is objection, especialart, among them prints by Mauricio Lasansky. About two-thirds of the pictures are "It's another case of expert in state buildings; the remainopinions being laid down by der still at the Des Moines Art people who have no business

In the early 1930s Nebraska Peter Hill, assistant art protook a strong lead in the visual fessor at the University of Omaha and a leader in circu- arts but now all this may be lation of the boycott peti- over. The petitions being circulated charge that the rules are This tempest recalls a similar telling legitimate artists what is one in Iowa shortly after World suitable to paint; how it must War II. Paul Parker, director of be painted and dictating those

the Des Moines Art Center and intangibles which are quality. Fair Art Exhibit, headed off a ists under these rules will be boycott by University of Iowa just as badly off as was professors and students which Michelangelo who closely folwould have wrecked the state lowed the dictates of eminent fair art contest—an event which theologians in planning his then was on shaky grounds but murals for the Sistine Chapel.

Many of the Iowa City group ha stand off, twenty-three coun-pital after he fell down the said they would refuse to com- ties throughout the state have stairs of his home. pete in the state fair art contest organized and are making excelbecause the state fair board lent progress for participation destroyed some murals in the in the contest. A total of \$2,200 Paul Gilbert and Patrolman agriculture building painted is offered in prizes and repro- Charles R. Schultz said Halter-

Art Center

the state fair board.

And after all, it was an almost unheard-of thing in those days for a Midwest state to give money just as prizes for pure art. There was one purchase award but the rest of the cash was offered as award inoney—

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for cattle and hogs.

Parker won his argument and

Des Motnes—Sculpture by Donaid E vestigating.

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Legnard Good, head of the Drake University art department, will continue through Jen. 15 at the Memorial Union Gallery at lowa State University here. Ceder Rapids—An exhibition, "American Colleges," from the Museum of Modern Art, New York, N. Y. will oper Tuesday at Coe College here. Included Is work by Motherwell, Vincente Grexier and Katz.

Pella—The second annual Central
College Invitational exhibition of drawings
will be held during January.

Cedar Falls—An exhibition of work in
ceramics by James and Nan McKinnell
ig currently showing at L'Atelier Galerie,
2522 Terrace drive, Cedar Falls.

5 Charges Filed In 3-Car Crash the

Five charges were filed against Lavern Johannes, 35, of 1307 Eighth st., after he was involved in a three-car accident at Fourth street and Grand avenue about 3:40 p. m.

Saturday in which two persons out. Nothing was voted on. suffered minor injuries, Patrolman Lewis Brundige rear of a car driven by Daryl was then shoved into the car problems.

28, of Pella.

at Iowa Lutheran Hospital. Johannes was charged with Nam war controversy. reckless driving, no operator's license, failure to stop in an assured distance, not having Iowa license plates and failure

to display registration. He was released on \$600 bond for a hearing Jan. 10.

the Des Moines Art Center and intelligibles which are quality, superintendent of the Iowa State. In some ways Nebraska art- Falls on Stairs, W.D.M. Man Dies

William Halterman, 69, of 228 Fourth st., West Des Moines, was dead on arrival Saturday at While the art purists in Oma- Broadlawns Polk County Hos-

West Des Moines police Sgt. -George Shane town West Des Moines about 2:15 p. m., entered the back door, then fell down the base-

ment steps Thomas Cooper, of the same address, told police Halterman must have bumped open the door to the basement stairway, then fell. Dr. Leo Luka, Polk County medical examiner is in-